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SUBJECT: RED: ECAFE: PRC VIEWS ON ROLE OF NON- REGIONAL COUNTRIES

1. WE HAVE BEEN RELIABLY INFORMED THAT AN CHIH- YUAN, DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS AND CONFERENCES, MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS, PRC (WHO LED THE PRC DELEGATION TO THE 29 TH ECAFE SESSION IN TOKYO) RECENTLY CALLED IN THE JAPANESE COUNSELLOR IN PEKING AND SUGGESTED THAT THERE SHOULD BE A MORE DISTINCT DIFFERENCE IN THE POSITION OF REGIONAL AND NON- REGIONAL COUNTRIES IN ECAFE. HE REPORTEDLY DID NOT SPECIFY HOW THIS SHOULD BE ACCOMPLISHED.

2. COMMENT. A FIRST STEP IN ACCOMPLISHING AN CHIH- YUAN' S OBJECTIVE WOULD BE STRICTER ADHERENCE TO OR ENFORCEMENT OF THE LAHORE CONVENTION.

ANYTHING BEYOND THAT WOULD REQUIRE REVISION BY ECOSOC OF ECAFE' S TERMS OF REFERENCE, WHICH WOULD NO DOUBT BE STRONGLY RESISTED BY THE USSR, OR MIGHT BRING FORTH A SOVIET CLAIM TO REGIONAL STATUS ON THE BASIS OF ITS TRANS- URAL TERRITORY. IT MAY ALSO BE RESISTED BY ASIAN COUNTRIES WHICH WOULD NOT WANT TO BE EXPOSED

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TO PRC DOMINATION OR A PRC- USSR POWER STRUGGLE IN ECAFE WITHOUT
THE
TEMPERING INFLUENCE OF THE US AND THE EUROPEANS.
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